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1. DURING A/DCM'S AUGUST 8 MEETINGS WITH MINISTRY OF FINANCE (MOF) AND MEA, A NUMBER OF ASPECTS OF INDIAN THINKING ON JOINT COMMISSION MEETING WERE COVERED.

2. MOF HAS SENT DIXIT SIX PAPERS TO PRESENT TO USG ON WORK OF ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL SUBCOMMISSION. PAPERS ARE:

A. A LIST OF NON-TRADITIONAL PRODUCTS WITH POTENTIAL FOR INCREASED EXPORTS TO UNITED STATES (MACHINERY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT THAT CAN BE EXPORTED FROM INDIA TO UNITED STATES).

B. A LIST OF INDUSTRIES IN WHICH FOREIGN INVESTMENT ALONG WITH TECHNICAL COLLABORATION FROM UNITED STATES WOULD BE WELCOME.

C. A LIST OF INDUSTRIES IN WHICH TECHNICAL COLLABORATION
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ALONE IS NEEDED.

D. A LIST OF AREAS IN WHICH WE NEED TO OBTAIN BASIC TECHNOLOGY
AND EQUIPMENT DESIGNS FROM UNITED STATES.

E. A LIST OF FIELDS IN WHICH INDIA CAN OFFER CONSULTANCY
SERVICES.

F. A LIST OF SOFTWARE SERVICES WHICH INDIA CAN OFFER AS A
SUB-CONTRACTOR.

3. EXTRA SET OF PAPERS BEING POUCHED NEA/INS.

4. MOF AND MEA APPEAR TO FAVOR FULL MEMBERSHIP IN JOINT COM-
MISSION FOR SUBCOMMISSION CHAIRMEN. MEA CLEARLY WISHES TO AVOID
ANY NEED FOR THE SECRETARY AND FOREIGN MINISTER TO DISCUSS SUB-
STANTIVE ASPECTS OF SUBCOMMISSION WORK, I.E., THEY WOULD LIMIT
THEIR ROLE TO APPROVING PAPERS AND PROPOSALS WHICH HAD BEEN
AGREED UPON WELL IN ADVANCE. BOTH MOF AND MEA RECOGNIZE IT WOULD BE
USEFUL TO HAVE COMMUNIQUE OR PRESS STATEMENT WITH MAXIMUM POS-
SIBLE PUBLIC EFFECT. IT IS ALL VERY WELL TO ANNOUNCE JOINT BUSINESS
COUNCIL CHAIRMEN AND FIRST MEETING DATE, BUT SOMETHING "SEXIER"
IS NEEDED. GOI IS STARTING TO THINK ABOUT THIS.

5. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S REACTION
TO EMBASSY'S PROPOSALS CONTAINED IN EARLIER MESSAGES.
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